

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460



EXTERNAL CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE OFFICE
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

December 4, 2020

In Reply Refer to:

EPA Complaint No. 01R-21-R9

b(6) Privacy

Re: Acknowledgement of Administrative Complaint

Dear b(6) Privacy:

This letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), External Civil Rights Compliance Office (ECRCO), received your correspondence on November 30, 2020, alleging discrimination based on race in violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 involving the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) and San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH).

ECRCO is responsible for processing and resolving complaints alleging discrimination by programs or activities that receive financial assistance from the EPA. ECRCO will review the correspondence in light of EPA's nondiscrimination regulation to determine whether it is a complaint that falls within ECRCO's jurisdiction. Once this jurisdictional review is completed, ECRCO will notify you as to whether it will accept the complaint for investigation, or reject, or refer the complaint to another Federal agency.

In the interim, if you have any questions about the status of this correspondence, please contact me by telephone at (202) 564-4174 or by email at rhines.dale@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dale Rhines".

Dale Rhines
Deputy Director
External Civil Rights Compliance Office
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Mr. b(6) Privacy

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